

WINGS AND TIGHTS.

Emil F. Seidel Describes His Wife's Costume as Mercury.

HE DID NOT ACCOMPANY HER TO THE MASQUERADE BALL.

The Cabinet-Maker Takes the Stand to Rebut His Wife's Testimony in His Suit for Divorce—George Smith Takes the Stand in the Contested Smith Will Case—Court Notes.

Emil F. Seidel, the well-known cabinet maker, who is plaintiff in the divorce case which has been on trial before Judge Fisher for the past two days, was placed on the stand this morning in rebuttal of his wife's testimony. William F. Smith, his attorney, asked: "Did you go to the Liederkranz masquerade ball with your wife dressed as Mercury?"

"No, sir."

"How was your wife dressed on that occasion?"

"I do not know the proper names for female costumes. You can see Mercury in any picture-book."

"Well, did she wear a skirt?"

"She wore tight, with wings on her shoulders, and a sash about nine inches wide about the waist. If the other witnesses were asked about the costume perhaps they would say that she wore a skirt."

"But Judge Fisher interrupted the witness, Seidel also denied that he went to the Liederkranz masquerade ball when his wife was dressed as a Highlander. He maintained that he did not strike her, as she alleged, and that she struck herself by colliding with the mantle of the poker. It was on the occasion that he confronted her with a \$100 dry goods bill, in cross-examination he said that she showed fear on that occasion for the first time. He ascribed her fear to a guilty conscience. He denied that her hair turned gray at the birth of their son, Robert. "She was gray before she was 20 years old," he said, "and people pointed at us on the street, and commented on the evident difference in our ages on account of her gray hair." On cross-examination Seidel testified that he never went to a masquerade ball with his wife. He acknowledged that he forbade her to use the family surer a month before the suit was instituted, but he believed this to be right and proper.

Evidence was also introduced this morning, showing the financial standing of Mr. Seidel, showing that he was reported to be worth from \$15,000 to \$40,000.

The deposition of Marcella Boland of 1716 North Twenty-third street, a former servant of the Seidels, was read.

The deposition stated that Mrs. Seidel used to cry and fret a good deal, and tell deponent of things which Mr. Seidel had done to her. Deponent would not take deponent's word for it, but she believed that she had seen Mrs. Seidel cry.

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SOUTHERN ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY.

Proceedings at To-day's Session—The Ladies' Missionary Society.

This morning's session of the United Presbytery of Southern Illinois at the Grand Avenue Church, corner of Grand and Lindell avenues, was opened with prayer by Elder M. McMurdo, and after routine matters the Rev. J. K. Montgomery of Sparta, Ill., was elected Moderator.

The Rev. D. H. Blair of College Springs Presbytery was invited to a seat in the conference and to participate as a member.

Bro. Ritchie was elected assistant clerk. The committee on the standing committee of the Presbytery were appointed at the close of the April meeting.

Statistics of congregations were read. These were generally of an encouraging character. They were referred to a special committee—J. C. Elliott, Elder McMurdo and W. H. Frazier. Twenty-four congregations, represented by fourteen ministers, were reported.

Reports on the state of religion in the bounds of the Presbytery were referred to the Commanding Committee on the State of Religion. Two theological students presented themselves before the Presbytery with a view to being licensed to preach. The committee examined them and recommended that they be allowed to address the Presbytery this afternoon to test their ability.

Applications for admission were received from churches at Pleasant Ridge, Mo., Moon Valley, Miss., Pulaski, Mo., First Arkansas, Jewett, Ark., Xenia, Pa., Dunbar, Mo., Cuba, Mo., and Lebanon, Mo. Some of these appeals were of Macedonian urgency. They were referred to the Committee on Synods, who reported in favor of granting them, with certain stipulations as to persons to be appropriated by the board, and raised by the people. Without concluding the consideration of the report the Presbytery adjourned for dinner.

Last evening's session was opened with a sermon by the retiring Moderator, the Rev. N. A. Whitehill of Sparta. A conference on Sabbath Observance followed. The Rev. J. C. Elliott of Swanwick, Ill., opening the discussion. All the speakers prominently recommended the proposed opening of the World's Fair on Lord's Day.

The Ladies' Presbyterian Missionary Society met this forenoon. Mrs. E. C. Monteth of Colterville, President, led devotional exercises, and presided over the meeting. Mrs. J. W. Alward of St. Louis served as secretary. Roll-call was responded to by eleven societies.

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WITH IMPLEMENTS.

The Street Cleaners Visit the City Hall This Morning.

THEY DEMAND AUDIENCES WITH THE MAYOR AND COMPTROLLER.

Secretary Jim Brennan, Gen. Stevenson and Commodore Smith Address the Gathering—Opening of De Giverville Avenue—Plans for Adjournment of the Council—Mud on the North Side.

Three hundred street laborers and ninety carts were lined up along Market and Eleventh streets this morning to greet the Mayor when he came down to take hold of the reins of government. Their demonstration of last Friday resulted in a ukase from the Street Department ordering 1,000 laborers and 300 carts to be put to work on Monday.

The storm postponed operations Monday. Yesterday, however, the men were put to work, but called off after an hour's labor by an order from the Mayor, who had held an interview with the Comptroller and came to the conclusion that it would be better to make haste slowly in providing work for the unemployed. The workmen were at a loss to understand the cause of their dismissal, and came down this morning determined to see who was to blame.

After waiting until 11 o'clock for His Honor Mayor, they were dismissed by the Mayor. Stevenson would be a clever prelude to their interview with the chief executive and they piled into the office of the former Comptroller, where they waited for the Mayor. The Comptroller had not arrived, but Deputy Joe Devoy stepped forward and told them that the Mayor was not coming. He said that he would give them some very useful advice. Then old Commodore Lyndon Smith, formerly Private Secretary to Mayor, stepped forward and told them that the Mayor was not coming. He said that he would give them some very useful advice.

While waiting the Comptroller's arrival a delegation filed into the Mayor's office. "We're going to see him this time," a voice in the crowd shouted. "If we have to stay here until 12 o'clock to night, and if he don't come down, we'll go to his house and drag him out. We're starving and we must see him."

The Mayor, who was in the office, came out and made a speech to the workmen. He said that he was sorry that he could not give them more work, but that he would do his best. He said that he would give them some very useful advice.

"You're right, old man," shouted the laborers as they poured on the Mayor. "We'll find out who is to blame for this and fix him at the next election." The Mayor, who was in the office, came out and made a speech to the workmen. He said that

WELL-DRESSED MEN

LONDON STILL LEADS IN SETTING THE STYLES—WHAT IS NOW WORN.

LONDON, March 28.—The well-dressed man of London continues to set the fashion for the male sex the world over.

Until last fall there had not been for many years any decided change in the styles of gentlemen's garments. Then the sudden elongation of skirts created havoc with the wardrobes of correct dressers and made business brisk for the merchant tailors. For the coming season fashion has changed the styles that prevailed last season but slightly, except in the matter of coat skirts. The straightening of the collar crease of the vest has been completed and shows no sign of its former curves. Trousers are about as they were. A summary of the special features as adopted by the leading tailors is as follows: Shoulders are moderately wide and have the seams cut low. Edges are generally stitched, though cord is still quite popular for day or evening dress. Binding is seldom used and is always put on narrow. Double-breasted frock coats are from one to four inches longer than at the commencement of last season. The tendency is still to greater length in cutaway frocks and sack coats, and are a trifle longer than heretofore. Overcoats are generally shaped except the coats, which are cut half-box. They roll lower and are from one to four inches longer than they were last spring. Except for evening dress the curved crosses for vests is no longer correct. Trousers incline toward the "peg-top" style, and are still cut loose at the knee and are rather small at the bottom.

By all odds the most fashionable garment for men's wear that will be seen this season is the long double-breasted frock, familiarly known as the "long tailed" coat, on account of its extreme length. Only good dressers will wear it, however, as it looks rather outlandish when worn away from fashionable surroundings. Its extreme length is 44 inches, but a length of from 38 to 42 inches is preferable. It may be worn without an overcoat, and for afternoon public entertainments is the correct thing.

The extreme increase sanctioned by fashion in the length of double-breasted frocks is by no means imperative, but no coat of this description that is as short as those of the corresponding season last year will be considered as correct. Except in browns and grays and fancy weaves of worsteds, chevots and undressed woads the extremes will be but little worn, but no matter what may be the color or kind of material used, all double-breasted frocks will be an inch or more longer than they were at the commencement of last season. The lapels are always well peaked and are from 2 1/2 to 3 inches wide at the top. The fronts are intended to close with three buttons only, except for the shorter styles when they are sometimes made to close with four. In any case the role when the coat is unbuttoned should be free and extend evenly to the bottom, if desired. For day dress the vest is usually made of a different material, but a number of good dressers prefer to have it of the same material as the coat. The trousers are of a moderate width, and of a not pronounced stripe of plaid material. When the coat is of any material of a fancy weave or brown, gray or white, the trousers are always and the vest generally of the same material. The vest is generally single-breasted, though if made of a fancy vesting it is quite correct to have it double-breasted. If the latter is the case, it has either a plain V-shaped rolling collar or one with a peaked neck. The latter is the more correct, as it is smaller in the leg than formerly. They are slightly sprung, are well hollowed over the instep and usually have a small button finished with a narrow welt.

Cutaway coats are still very popular for half dress and genteel business wear. The three-button cutaway, or the four-button for men who are unusually tall, is the most correct. Chevots, tibets and other goods suitable for day dress, almost divide the honors with the double-breasted frock. The latter is a trifle greater than last season, ranging from 34 1/2 to 38 inches. It has a roll of moderate width and is cut away from the lower button to the edge of the leg from about five inches above the waist seam. For general business purposes it is cut from one to two inches shorter, and has flaps on the waist seam. The edges are double stitched, the sleeves are finished with a vent and one button and is made of fancy worsteds or chevots and of two or cassimere suitings.

For half-dress and business purposes the one-button cutaway will also be considerably worn. It should be of length for half dress, but not more than 32 inches for business wear. It is made soft so as to roll free when the front is unbuttoned in either case, but the side flaps are only correct when worn for business purposes. For day wear or half-dress the vest and trousers are the same as those worn with the double-breasted frock, but the trousers are longer for business purposes, the average proportions being from 20 to 24 inches at the knee, and from 17 1/2 to 18 inches at the bottom.

SACK COATS. Many people are partial to the sack coat, and the style this season is sharply and desirable. All sacks are longer than last season and show an even greater amount of roll. They are not close-fitting and have the side seams moderately curved. The double-breasted sack made of plaid, striped and mixed chevots and other similar suitings, will be much worn during the spring months. For a man of average height the length should be 31 inches. The lapels are moderately peaked, the fronts are evenly spaced for five holes, the roll extending to the third. All the pockets have flaps to go either in or out. The edges are double stitched and the sleeves are finished with a vent and one button. The straight front single-breasted sack, either with all the buttons in the front or flaps for the lower pockets and a welt for the breast pocket, will be much worn. It will be made with a vent and one button in the front, and when they are not usually be single stitched close. The three-button cutaway sack will be of the same length, and, besides being made of chevots, cassimere and mixed goods, it will also be made of woads. When of the latter material the edges will be double stitched on the seams, lapped and stitched to match. The fronts are cut away rather abruptly from the lower button, and the flaps opposite the ticket pocket, all the pockets have flaps and the sleeves are finished with a vent and one button. The roll length for this style of garment. It rolls six inches and is cut away to show three inches of the vest. The breast pocket is finished with a vent, but the lower pockets have flaps.

The open or low roll sack will be very popular during the warmer months. It is of the same length as the other single-breasted, and is almost as full in the front as the straight front sack. The front is even spaced for five holes and buttons and the roll extends to the second when not buttoned. The finish should be soft, so that it may be worn with one button closed, and the flaps, below the lower hole and button, are boldly rounded to the button. The breast pocket is usually finished with a welt, but it may have, as the lower pockets, flaps to go in or out. The edges are double stitched, and the sleeves are finished with a vent and one button. For a sack suit the vest is single-breasted, and the flaps are finished with a vent and one button. The flaps range from 20 to 21 inches in width at the knee and from 17 1/2 to 18 inches at the bottom.

A handsome garment and one that is greatly admired for day and half dress during the summer is the straight front single-breasted frock coat. It is made of the same material, finished in the same manner and may be used on the same occasions as the double-breasted frock. It has five buttons and buttons evenly spaced, and the flaps close with four or rolls free when the fronts are thrown open.

For evening dress, except that both peaked lapels and the shawl roll coat are made longer and are the same as last year. The average length is from 38 to 40 inches to the bottom of the skirt. The Cotes or Tuxedo sack coat will be worn at "stag" dinner and other parties and at the club. They will be made of fine worsteds. Chevots will also be used in making the regulation evening dress, the coat of which will have a velvet collar. In overcoats the Chesterfield, or fly-front

overcoat, made from chevots, worsteds and other materials, will be the favorite overgarment. The length ranges from 38 to 42 inches. Its shape in the back and is far from being close fitting. A new and desirable effect is obtained by spreading the two upper holes seven inches apart. This gives the roll when the fronts are closed an unusual length and is suggestive of the approach of summer. The shawl-roll Chesterfield, silk-faced to the edge, is a dressy garment and will be considerably worn with the covert coat, averaging 38 inches in length, made of covert cloth, and is a decidedly swell and useful garment. For evening wear the reverses will be as popular as ever.

NEW FABRICS. There will be few novelties in fabrics this season, the manufacturers' ingenuity seemingly having been exhausted in that direction. As between hard and soft cloths a compromise by good dressers will be made by selecting what are known as half, vicunas and unheated worsteds. The colorings are divided between tans and grays, with the preference in favor of the latter. As a novelty the pure silver gray is destined to be without the conspicuous spring approaches and will divide the honors with what is known as London gray, the patterns though inclining to greater brightness, are by no means glaring. The tendency is to invisible plaids and checks. In Scotch goods many of the patterns are shown of large but subdued effects, barely showing the lines of plaids or checks. Hand-made home-spuns will also be popular, but are exceedingly high priced. Clay diagonals of fine wool will also be much worn. Fine worsted running to wide herring-bone waist stripes in grays and brown grays, finely lined with a darker contrasting color, will be the choice for fine trousers.

NECK WEAR. In the matter of neckwear there is an endless variety to choose from—bright yellow, flaming red, dark maroon, white, heliotrope and other flashy colors are displayed in the shop windows. The best dressed men, however, do not go to extremes in either direction. The high standing collar with turned over edges remains popular. Not one man in a thousand here wears a necktie. The ties that go round these collars are made in such a way that they can be bunched together effectively and pinned with a small scarf-pin. Made up ties are but little worn. Fancy shirtings are very popular. They are worn in all imaginable shades, but no well dressed man would wear other than a white collar, although his cuffs must be in the color of his shirt for street or negligee wear. Jewelry is but little worn now. The day of heavy gold watch chains and massive scarf-pins is over. Only the tiniest pins are worn with scarfs, and for evening dress three tiny studs. These may be of gold, silver or diamonds, as the wearer's fancy and pocket-book will allow. Link sleeve buttons have entirely superseded the old-fashioned cuff button, and in place of the heavy watch chain there is a small, thin chain that extends from one lower vest pocket to the other without being put even through the buttonhole of the vest finger ring, however, a wide variety of opinion. One may wear half a dozen finger rings, or none at all, and still be in the swim.

Head gear and foot wear there is no noticeable change. Silk hats are worn under any and all occasions, no matter whether the sun is shining or the rain is falling. Occasionally a derby is seen, but when worn by men of fashion it is usually of black, round topped, with a wide curling brim.

Patent leather or varnished shoes are worn at all times. It is noticeable that they are made rounded at the toe and with a wider sole now than heretofore. A few well-dressed men continue to wear spats and gaiters, and again the color varies according to the wearer's choice.

HIGH WATER.

The Cotton Compress Basement May Be Inundated—Fears of a Flood.

The officials of the St. Louis Cotton Compress, at the foot of Rutgers street, because of the unusually high water in the river, the gauge registered 23.1 feet this morning. The Compress cannot stand over 21 feet without the basement being inundated, and in that event a large amount of cotton would be soaked. At a late hour this afternoon the water had risen to 22.1 feet, and the officials of the cotton compress stated that they had not as yet taken steps to remove the cotton. The river has not been so high in two years, and the rise shows no abatement. News from Hannibal, Mo., announces that the Missouri River is running above low water mark, sixteen feet is the danger line, beyond which the Missouri bottoms are in peril of a flood, and an inundation at that point is feared.

THE M. E. & T. INLET.

Men and Teams on Their Way to Work on the Road's Extension.

A. C. Ferguson, a railroad contractor of Memphis, Tenn., came up yesterday with 100 teams of mules, 200 scrapers and 150 hands. They came up on the Belle Memphis and put in tonight in North St. Louis. The teams rested and fed at the Union yards and workmen camped out in tents. They left early this morning for the Washburn and Jefferson city, Mo., at a point close by there, where they will at once begin to make the dirt for the new inlet of the M. E. & T. The line of the new road into St. Louis for the road has already been detailed in the Post-Dispatch. The contractor has instructions to push the work ahead as fast as men and teams can do it. The entrance from the outskirts of the city will doubt be over the tracks of the C. & B. & Q., although it is not yet admitted.

Accidental Drowning.

CLEVELAND, O., April 6.—The body of 6-year-old Edna Calahan, who has been missing since last Thursday, was found on the beach this morning. Her disappearance was a mystery. It was believed that she had been kidnapped, and a tramp named McAllister is now under arrest on suspicion. The finding of the body leads to the belief that death was due to accidental drowning.

Republicans Object.

The Eighth Congressional District Republican Committee have prepared a memorial to President Harrison protesting against the removal of Collector Wencker and declaring that the committee is convinced he is guilty of no crime. The committee claims a right to be heard before any steps are taken, for the reason that it indicted Mr. Wencker several years ago when he was appointed.

Miss Libby Belt Seriously Injured.

Miss Libby Belt of 774 Dickinson street was driving on Lindell avenue to-day when her buggy was run into by a heavy wagon and she was thrown out. Her left arm was broken and she was otherwise badly injured.

An Emery Wheel Exploded.

An emery wheel in the American Car Works on Laclede and Manchester road broke this morning, and a piece struck Henry Eckerman, a workman in the face. His jaw was broken and a large patch of flesh was torn from his face.

Another Mistrial.

The jury in the D. R. Bogher forgery case reported to Judge Green of the Criminal Court this morning that they could not agree upon a verdict, and the Court discharged them. The jury stood eight for conviction and four for acquittal. This is

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the second mistrial, a jury having failed to agree at a former trial last fall.

New Warrants.

Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Estep issued a warrant this morning against Hubert Homelson of 1740 Second Carondelet avenue, charging him with wife abandonment. A warrant was issued on the solicitation of Mrs. Anna Homelson, who called on Mr. Estep and told him that her husband had not given a dollar towards her support for two months. She also said that he was earning \$5 and \$6 a day. The warrant was sworn out at a warrant against Harry Cole charging him with grand larceny. The warrant was issued on the solicitation of Mrs. D. B. Dickman, who called on Mr. Estep and told him that her husband had not given a dollar towards her support for two months. She also said that he was earning \$5 and \$6 a day. The warrant was sworn out at a warrant against Harry Cole charging him with grand larceny.

Real Estate Transfers.

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Five newspapers in the United States published forty-page editions on last Sunday and the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH was one of them. Neither the *Globe-Democrat* nor the *Republic* was in the list. The SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH printed a larger paper, more reading matter, more illustrations, more exclusive news than its competitors. The *Republic* has really dropped out of the competition, falling behind the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH, as it did last Sunday, 8 pages in size, 30 columns in reading matter, 26 columns in paid advertising, 1,061 advertisements in the want columns and 672 square inches in the amount of illustrated matter.

AWAY WITH THE SMOKE.
The revival of the question of abating the smoke nuisance and the evidence that leading citizens are giving the matter earnest attention is especially gratifying to the POST-DISPATCH, as it has vigorously supported every movement which promised to give the city relief from the pall of smoke and soot.

The importance of the subject with reference to the interests of St. Louis can scarcely be overestimated. It is a potent detrimental factor, how potent, perhaps, few St. Louisans recognize. The smoke and soot we endure blackens not only the city but its reputation abroad. Visitors receive an unpleasant impression of the city because of them, and spread their opinions in vigorous language wherever they go. They necessarily enter largely into the consideration of the advantages of St. Louis as a place of residence and thus operate as a check upon the growth of population and business. Every good word for the city must be modified by an exception with respect to the atmosphere. In addition to these indirect effects, which are undoubtedly severe, there is enormous direct loss in the damage inflicted upon spoilable stocks in the stores, clothes and household goods. The smoke and soot represent unconsumed fuel which is blown out of the chimneys instead of being converted into useful heat.

It is unnecessary to speak of the discomfort of the smoke-grimed atmosphere—that is unpeakable. It constitutes the single undesirable point in the environment of the city.

It is a matter of surprise that the people of St. Louis have consented to be burdened with such a nuisance for so long a time. It may be abated and no effort should be spared to abate it. Citizens and their municipal representatives should combine to secure a permanent settlement of the matter. Now is the time to do it.

WORKS MACHINE!

On Tuesday morning the *Republic* announced that the meeting of the Democratic City Central Committee would be the occasion of a great struggle between FRANCIS and NOONAN for the control of the committee; that if the Noonan faction succeeded primaries would be held under the State law for the State nominating conventions only, while delegates to the convention for appointing delegates to the National Convention would be chosen in the old-fashioned way, by committee manipulation, and would in all likelihood be Noonan men.

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The important question upon which the affair is that it reveals in a startling way the inroads of moral decadence among that class of Americans who, having inherited the millions more or less honestly made by their grandfathers in peddling, shopkeeping or other reputable employments, assume to be privileged aristocracy in this free land of equal manhood. The ridiculous absurdity of their apish pretensions has been often enough satirized. The moral canker which their idle vanity has brought upon the social body is shown by every such incident as this.

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In brief, the sham aristocracy of wealth in America, like the aristocracy of birth in Europe—though fortunately in a less degree as yet—tends directly to undermine all sound ethical standards, and to create the state of society that has always followed the luxury in which "wealth accumulates and men decay." It sets up a code of morality for the multitude and quite another for the select few. It compels women to associate with blackguards unfit to come into their presence, and even disposes in marriage of women clean and pure to men whose characters make the sacrifice such as Hawthorne described as "throwing a flower into a sepulchre."

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THE PEOPLE'S FORUM.

(No matter written on both sides of the sheet can appear under this head.)

A Policeman's Protest.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:
Commenting on an article in the *Forum*, by a writer who is not a happy one, I must not, on pain of displeasing his superiors in office, express an opinion on any of the questions of the day. He is forced to listen quietly to idiotic tirades against the general despoticism of the police. Lastly, his very presence in the ranks of the law is given no voice in the ordering—criticized, or envied, by paltry despicable individuals who are not even allowed to be heard.

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ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

G. E.—No tax can be imposed on United States bonds.

F. S.—Apply to Sup't. of the Board of Public Schools.

F. W.—In this State both parties to a divorce can remarry.

C. P. L.—Your question is unintelligible. Explain more in detail.

C. G.—You have not rendered yourself liable to suit for damages.

SUBSCRIBER.—Mathematical problems are not solved in this column.

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H. O. G.—The bullion value of the silver dollar is now about 66 cents.

READER.—Premiums on rare foreign coins are not within the scope of this column.

CONSTANT READER.—The wives of two brothers are not sisters-in-law.

A. T. G.—The center of population is not within the scope of this column.

ATTENTIVE READER.—There is no national association of the character named.

H.—Salisbury street runs northeast and southwest.

TWO SUBSCRIBERS.—The expression "caro mio" is the Italian form for "my dear."

SUBSCRIBER.—The Board of Police Commissioners require policemen to pay their just debts.

MISS B.—What you should take to cheer the choir singing depends on what renders it hoarse.

READER.—Guitars were not a Catholic. It was John Wilkes Booth who shot President Lincoln.

BOOMER.—You must enter your claim to public land yourself; you cannot pre-empt it for others.

OLD SUBSCRIBER.—The information you desire can be obtained in Johnson's Universal Encyclopedia.

G. W.—The Southern Hotel is on the block between Fourth street, Broadway, Walnut and Elm streets.

READER.—Convicts are not deprived of the right of suffrage in this State. They can also testify in court.

READER.—America was not discovered until 1492 there had been no Canadian coin bearing the date of 1493.

SUBSCRIBER.—A letter addressed to Thomas B. Hart, Editor of the *Post-Dispatch*, at Boston, will reach him.

CONSTANT READER.—There are only three names in the names of the armaments of the Post-office doing work.

SUBSCRIBER.—Paul McBride was tried and acquitted for the murder of Frank Loftus at Union Franklin County.

D. E. W.—The Italian language is the language of Italy. It is entirely distinct from Latin.

OLD SUBSCRIBER.—Catholics are eligible to the Presidency of the United States. There is no restriction.

READER.—The distance between the easternmost Russian island and the westernmost Alaskan island is only a few miles.

READER.—It is not a matter of miles, but of population, that makes the difference between the two cities.

READER.—The brother of a man's wife is his brother-in-law. They also agreed and the groom's brother's wife are not relatives at all.

SUBSCRIBER.—The United States annexed territory during the period named. A. The Governor of Missouri receives a salary of \$10,000.

DICK.—In poker dice three trays and a pair of dice or tray full on dice is a better hand than two trays and two dice or tray full on dice.

O. B. M.—Those willing to guarantee the debt of the Republic are not to be feared.

CONSTANT READER.—James O'Neil will appear at the Hotel Opera-house. He has been playing "Monte Christo" for the past eight or nine years.

SUBSCRIBER.—The letters R. S. V. P. signify that a reply is expected. They are the initials of the French words "Repondez s'il vous plait."

NEW SUBSCRIBER.—The United States Government will not interfere with you for using the word "United States" in the title of your corporation.

J. W. H.—The English navy is the strongest, then the French or Italian, it is a matter of opinion. The Russian navy is next and the German last.

OLD SUBSCRIBER.—There are a large number of ways of pulling a pump.

READER.—It would be impossible to decide which is the best.

READER.—A Catholic or an infidel can be elected to the Presidency if he receives enough electoral votes. There is absolutely no restriction.

R. E. N.—The third finger of the left hand is the engagement finger. 2. Patent leather shoes can be kept from coming apart by warming the leather with a hair dryer.

A. O. T.—D. R. Atchison, as president pro tem of the Senate, is called the man who was president for a day, as the inauguration took place on Monday, March 5.

J. H. S.—Henry E. Dixey played the character of a villain in the play "The Great Game" at the Olympic Theatre recently.

READER.—The postage stamps on premium on cancelled postage stamps. You might possibly dispose of them to some person who would use them for ornamental vases, etc.

A SUBSCRIBER.—The party you mentioned is both manager and proprietor of the combination of the two cities.

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ALL ST. LOUIS GROCERS KEEP IT.

PISO'S CURE FOR
GUINEA WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS.
 Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use
 in time. Sold by druggists.
CONSUMPTION

North St. Louis.
An important business meeting of Prosperity lodge, U. O. of M., will be held to-night.
J. H. McCarre of the Northwestern Lumberman is here on a business trip.
Maj. Chas. H. Huttig, General Manager of the Husch Co., will be in the city to-morrow. Wednesday noon at the First M. E. Church to Miss Annie Meser, a very pretty and popular society girl.
The steamer "Hushe" will arrive to-morrow; it has 600,000 feet and is for the Scholengr and Boeckler Lumber Co. This firm will resume work in the spring.
The mill has been shut down since the 1st of May.
Rev. Father Thomas E. Sherman, S. J., will deliver a sermon at St. Leo's Church, at 8 o'clock, a. m., on Good Friday. His subject will be "The Crucifixion and Death of Christ." To-night Father Sher-

The latter stated that the building would be completed by next summer in time to avoid the heavy traffic incident to the World's Fair and summer vacation travel. He stated that as the main building is to stand back 40 feet from Market street it would look decidedly unimposing if flanked by abutting streets of narrow proportions. They leave the matter of determining the width entirely to the discretion of the board. They submit a plan of the proposed loop running into Forest Park from Union avenue.

ECONOMY GOAL
 Exclusively for family use; try it.
DEVOT & FEUERBORN,

MACON, Ga., April 6.—The Georgia Lumbermen's Association met in Macon on Monday and organized a Lumberman's Exchange, which is said to be in reality a gigantic trust. They have its headquarters in Macon. Forty-five of the most prominent milling interests in the State and \$200,000,000 of invested capital were represented. S. E. Weston of Albany was in the chair, with Merritt W. Dixon of Savannah as Secretary. The committee appointed to draw up a plan of organization reported, advising the organization of local branches, each with an Executive Committee, and a central committee. The local committee, which shall elect a secre-

"This will be the saving of our business. Hereafter the supply cut has been more than the demand, and the mills are shut down when the supply is excessive, giving employment to 20,000 hands. In future the mills will shut down when the supply is deficient, and the mills are to be shut down and at what the mills will be assessed pro rata to make up the loss. The mill offices will probably be in the same way."

New York, April 6.—Dr. Parkhurst's life has been threatened if he persists in the crusade he has pursued with such relentless vigor. He has been informed of his prospective fate through an anonymous letter, but those which mean business are evidently written by one person. Dr. Parkhurst is afraid that he will be killed on the street at night. The letters are all written on one kind of stationery and in the same handwriting. They are also mailed at the same post office. The handwriting, though evidently disguised, is thought to be that of a well educated person. Dr. Parkhurst is understood to have received altogether eleven letters.

danian gentleman, has demanded from John S. Wise, recently of Virginia, a retraction from Mrs. Wise or satisfaction from Mr. Wise for remarks said to have been made by Mrs. Wise, derogatory to the character of Miss Belle Greene of Virginia, who has been spending the winter in New York. Mr. Skinner is Miss Greene's grandfather and the allegation is that Miss Greene has been denied invitation to the annual dinner of the Virginia Society, which Mrs. Wise is at the head because of alleged defamatory statements of Mrs. Wise. The matter was carried to Mrs. Wise by Miss Greene's brother, demanding an apology full and complete. The alternative has already been stated and

FOR RENT—FLATS

Advertisement for Situations or Help Wanted
in the
SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH
desired to produce satisfactory results or an
insertion will be given without charge in
the POST-DISPATCH.

WASH. ST.—Furnished flat of 3 rooms, complete for light housekeeping, on 1st floor, stor., gas, bath, and all conveniences; on line; terms, \$32.50. 83

BACON ST.—Flat, elegantly decorated, five rooms, bath, hot and cold water, marble and close; rent, \$23; key on the prem- 83

RENT—Furnished apt. 5 rooms and bath, with cold and water; res. rent. Add. F 71, this ad. 83

RENT—One of the choicest flats in Stoddard street, 414 Stoddard street, improvements, to a tenant. 2828 Thomas st. 83

TO LET FOR BUSINESS PURPOSES.

RENT—Large brick carriage-house and stable. ADJUT 2222 Franklin av. 17

TO LET—BURBANK PROPERTY FOR RENT.

RENT—Elegant 8-room residence, 3 acres, improved; the block from depot. E. W. LEE, 615 Chestnut st. 17

HORSES AND VEHICLES.

Advertisements for Simulations or Help Wanted to be inserted at 10c per line.

WEDNESDAY POST-DISPATCH

Guaranteed to produce satisfactory results or a full insertion will be given without charge to THURSDAY'S POST-DISPATCH.

For Sale.

WALKER—Horses and buggy at a bargain. 1241 1/2 Grand av. 17

WALKER—435 buys a good team of work horses, a wagon and harness; also a small team of first class and first water. Call on him, 1241 1/2 Grand av. 17

cart and harness, cheap. 2716 Sheridan 12

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS.

MALE—3 full-blooded bull pups, 3 months 3
1794 Ohio av. 6

MALE—Hans painted Easter eggs. W. P. 6
1400 Grand, 515 Park st. 3041 cart. 5

MALE—Two couplers and shoring cherry 5
1. April 1800 Lafayette av. 5

MALE—Porcelain lined, wood covered water 5
tanks; 1. good; 2. fair. 3041 cart. 5

MALE—Cheap—Elegant new Hous sewing 5
machine in use order! all attachments. 2759

MALE—Cheap, on account of removal: 3 splen- 5
dishing stoves, 1 range, and gas stove almost

MALE—Cheap, a \$20 Buck's kitchen stove of 5
12 pans from kitchen sideboard, dishes and
glass. Address to this office.

MALE—Printer's job type, all sizes, metal and 5
cast; imposing stone, cases, stand, etc., all 5
type cases and a press. 3041 cart. 5

MALE—Marble slab, 12 ft. long, 24 in. 5

TO LOAN ON PERSONAL PROPERTY

MONEY TO LOAN from \$1 to \$10,000
on watches, diamonds, jewelry, guns,
picnics, clothing, trunks, musical instru-
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